



June 2-98



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF GILMANTON

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1896.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF GILMANTON
COMPRISING THOSE OF THE
SELECTMEN, COLLECTOR, TREASURER, TOWN
CLERK, AUDITORS, ROAD AGENT
AND SCHOOL BOARD.
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1897.

LACONIA, N. H.:
PRESS OF WEEKS BROS.
1897.

Valuation and Taxation for 1896.

Numbers of polls taxed, 304	\$ 30,400
Real estate	366,836
Horses, 379	16,950
Oxen, 152	6,284
Cows, 541	10,924
Other neat stock, 21	456
Sheep, 624	1,406
Carriages, 2	150
Stock in banks	8,500
Money on hand or at interest	2,214
Stock in trade	7,540
Mills and their machinery	6,306
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	\$457,966
Amount of taxes levied for all purposes	\$9,743.57
Rate of taxation	\$2.12 per \$100

Collector's Report for the Year 1806.

To the Taxpayers of the Town of Gilmanton:

I hereby submit my report as collector:

Whole amount of taxes committed to me for collection	.....	\$9,743.57
Whole amount collected and paid to treasurer	.....	9,743.57
Received in abatements	.....	37.14
Actual abatement	.....	22.14
Collected interest to the amount of	.....	18.74

Interest collected of the following persons:

Frank T. Collins	. . . \$0.11	Ellwood H. Hill	.....	\$0.27
Elbridge G. Clough	. . . .26	John H. Haines	.....	.03
Dorothy S. Coffin	. . . .14	John P. Hussey	.....	1.00
John K. Dudley Est.	. . . .03	Charles A. Hatch	.....	.04
Charles A. Dockham	. . . .96	Ann W. Lougee Est.	.....	.20
Carlton J. Edgerly	. . . .10	Elmer J. Lord	.....	.10
Frank J. Elkins	. . . .37	Abbie E. Page	.....	.24
Reuben Giles Est.	. . . .36	Asa Page Est.	.....	.15
Moses S. Gale	. . . .02	Betsey Page Est.	.....	.05
Mary P. Page	. . . .09	George C. Prescott	.....	.22
Lorenzo H. Perkins	. . . .03	Caleb J. W. Peaslee	.....	.25
Charles A. Price	. . . .50	Usher S. Parsons	.....	.18
Rufus B. Parsons	. . . .04	Dixi C. Page	.....	.08
Jesse F. Place	. . . .23	Fred W. Page	.....	.02
John C. Shannon	. . . .01	John W. Rollins	.....	.08
Edward E. Smith	. . . .02	Warren M. Smith	.....	.09
Ervil L. Smith	. . . .05	Charles C. Varney	.....	.03
Etta G. Smith	. . . .18	Noah M. Zanes	.....	.04
Elizabeth Stone	. . . .32	John C. Baker Est.	.....	.15

John S. Trask . . . .	.18	John S. Peck . . . .	.56
Frank D. Young . . . .	.12	Herbert Bedee . . . .	.13
George W. Adams . . . .	.35	Charles L. Chase . . . .	.38
Frank J. Brown . . . .	.02	Richard R. Colcord . . . .	.04
Charles J. Brown . . . .	.11	Jeremiah S. French . . . .	.10
Joshua Colby . . . .	.02	Charles W. Gault . . . .	.40
Alvah Foss . . . .	.62	Cyrus Gilman Est . . . .	.83
Sylvester Goodwin . . . .	.04	Charles A. Hilliard . . . .	.04
Joseph L. Jones . . . .	.21	Leander A. Hilliard . . . .	.08
George F. Kelley	1.75	John J. Hoadley . . . .	.02
Sidney U. Lenscott . . . .	.07	Morrill S. Jones . . . .	.01
Jonathan Leavitt . . . .	.06	David F. Leavitt . . . .	.02
Frank A. McMurphy . . . .	.15	Jemima Marsh Est. . . .	.13
Joseph B. McClary . . . .	.14	Daniel Maxfield . . . .	.05
Araminta B. Nutter . . . .	.11	Betsey W. Moody Est. . . .	.80
Frank G. Osborn . . . .	.07	Samuel W. Robertson . . . .	.03
Nathan Sanborn Est. . . .	.37	James H. Weeks . . . .	.95
Samuel K. Twombly . . . .	.10	Property sold for taxes	2.37
Richard D. Varney . . . .	.14	Lorrain E. Weeks . . . .	.13

\$18.74

FRANK N. MERRILL, Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENRY L HURD, Town Treasurer in account with the town
of Gilmanton.

1896.

March 14, Cash in hands of Treasurer . . . \$3,466.55

CASH RECEIVED.

28,	Of selectmen	25.55
April 1,	Daniel J. Chase, for pedlar's license in 1896	2.00
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1897.		
Feb. 1,	C. L. Blaisdell, for pedlar's license in 1896	2.00
1,	The state, for railroad tax . . .	3.75
1,	" savings bank tax . . .	1,409.82
1,	" literary fund . . .	138.60
15,	Frank N. Merrill, for taxes of 1896	9,743.57
15,	" " " interest col- lected	18.74
15,	W. H. S. Hatch, for dog licenses .	152.40
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		\$14,962.98

PAID OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST.

1896.

March 16,	N. Hodgdon, interest on order .	\$ 7.80
16,	Martha A. Hurd " " .	29.27
28,	F. B. society " " .	5.12
28,	Cong'l society " " .	5.12

April 8,	Julia A. Edgerly, interest on order	\$ 5.10
June 26,	Sarah M. Gale " "	14.10
Sept. 5,	Ann P. Shannon " "	5.15
Oct. 10,	Jonathan Young, order in part .	10.00
10,	Sarah M. Gale, interest on order .	10.50
Nov. 30,	David G. Edgerly " "	18.00
		———— \$110.16
School order for 1896		\$1,939.68
County tax		1,885.12
State tax		1,270.00

MISCELLANEOUS—PAID.

1896.

March 14,	Weeks Bros., printing town report for 1895	\$47.25
14,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for ex- press on town reports . . . . .	.75
April 25,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash for collect- ors' book and blanks	2.50
May 30,	Albert F. Page, for decorating soldiers' graves	50.00
June 27,	W. S. P. Sanderson, recording invoice	8.00
Nov. 28,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for meals for town officers, Nov. 3, '96	4.20
28,	Joseph Brawn, use of watering tub from Feb. 1896 to Feb. 1897 . .	2.00
28,	Charles D. Weare, services and money paid for repairing hall for Nov. elec- tion	2.75
28,	S. A. Taylor, registering three deaths, 1896 . . . . .	.75
Dec. 26,	M. C. Lamprey, use of watering tub for year ending March 1, 1897 . .	3.00
26,	Mrs. E. S. Mudgett, use of watering tub from March 1, 1894 to year end- ing March 1, 1897	9.00

Dec.	26,	C. A. Osborn, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897	\$ 3.00
	26,	J. R. Munsey, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897	4.50
Jan.	23,	John Connell & Co., stationery, etc. .	.82
	23,	W. E. Smith, rent of shoe factory for town meeting, Nov. 3, 1896 . . .	10.00
	23.	George C. Prescott, use of watering tub, year ending March 1, 1897 .	3.00
		1897.	
Feb.	12,	C. H. Connell, board of town officers for year ending 1896	47.25
	12,	Cogswell & Blackstone, legal services for the year 1896	21.00
	12,	Sylvester Goodwin, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897	2.00
	12,	D. Cook, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897	3.00
	15,	A. A. Jones, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897	3.00
	15,	Thomas Cogswell, moving Cogswell schoolhouse	50.00
	15,	Selectmen of Gilmanton, bounties on hawks	6.50
	15,	Weeks Bros., printing checklists . .	10.00

			\$294.27

ROADS AND BRIDGES—PAID.

1896.			
March 25,	R. A. Knowles, balance due for labor on highway in 1895	\$ 15.86	
June 27,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent for labor on highway summer of 1896 . .	500.00	
27,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . .	500.00	

July	22,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	\$ 500.00
	22,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	100.00
	22,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	100.00
June	27,	George Tyor & Co., road machine repairs	13.50
	27,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	116.66
Aug.	29,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	50.00
Sept.	21,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	66.66
Nov.	3,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896	66.66
		1897.	
Feb.	15,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for land damages on new highway	3.00
		1896.	
Oct.	20,	A. A. Jones, for building new highway	175.00
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			\$2,207.34

ABATEMENTS—PAID.

		1896.	
Aug.	29,	Charles F. Merrill, abatement for cow lost44
	29,	Charles F. Merrill, abatement for cow lost . . . . .	.50
Nov.	28,	Jacob D. Merrill, abatement of taxes in 1896	5.00
	28,	Jonathan Young, abatement for over-taxation in 1896 . . . . .	.85
June	27,	Frank N. Merrill, collector abatement of Sylvester Kimball pool tax 1896	2.12

27,	Betsey L. Perkins, abatement for over-		
	tax 1896	\$ 11.70	
Nov. 28,	Nehemiah L. Marsh, abatement pool		
	tax in 1896	2.12	
1897.			
Feb. 15,	Frank N. Merrill, collector abatement		
	of taxes in 1896	14.41	
			—————
			\$37.14

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER OF 1895-'96—PAID.

F. N. Merrill, breaking roads in winter	
of 1895-'96	\$1,273.52

POOR OF THE TOWN—PAID.

1896.

Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Green-		
ough from Jan. 28 to Mar. 9, 1896.	\$16 00	
A. D. Ellsworth, for board of A. B.		
Ellsworth from Nov. 25, 1895, to		
Jan. 20, 1896	16.00	
March 28, Mrs. A. Smith, board Mrs. W. Bean		
from Dec. 26, 1895, to March 26,		
1896	29.35	
April 16, W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph		
Leavitt from Feb. 17, to March 16,		
1896	5.00	
25, Mrs. Eliza Lamprey, aid to A. B. Ells-		
worth from Jan. 20, to Feb. 22,		
1896	18.00	
Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Green-		
ough from March 17, to April 21,		
1896	15.00	
Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A.		
Webster from Jan. 25, to April 25,		
1896	26.00	

May 23,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Apr. 23, to May 12, 1896	10.00
26	S. A. Taylor, aid to Mrs. E. C. Bean from Mar. to Mar. 23, 1896 . . .	5.25
June 27	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from May 19, to Jan. 23, '96,	12.50
27,	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from March 23, to Jan. 15, 1896	12.00
30,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, board Mrs. W. Bean from March 26, to Jan. 25, 1896	30.00
August 29,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from June 30, to August 25, 1896	22.50
	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from April 25, to Aug. 29, 1896	36.00
	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from June 30, to Aug. 27, 1896	10.00
Oct. 1,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, for board of Mrs. W. Bean from June 20, to Sept. 24, 1896	27.00
10,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Sept. 1, to Sept. 22, '96,	10.00
Nov. 28.	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from Sept. 4, to Nov. 24, 1896	13.00
28	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from Aug. 29, to Nov. 28, 1896	26.00
28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to A. Ellsworth to Feb. 14, 1896	3.00

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	28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to Mrs. W. Bean	2.00
	28,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Sept. 29; to Oct. 9, '96,	6.50
Dec.	26,	M. C. Lamprey, aid to A. B. Ellsworth in Feb. 1896	2.00
	26,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, board of Mrs. W. Bean from Sept. 24, to Dec. 24, 1896	31.00
	26,	J. R. Munsey, digging grave for Artemas Ellsworth	4.00
	26,	N. B. McMurphy, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough	2.75
Jan.	23,	Frank P. Hall, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Oct. 29, to 25, 1896	30.00
	23,	Frank P. Hall, aid to Alvin Twombly from Nov. 4, to Jan. 20, 1896 . .	17.98
	23,	Fred A. Young, aid to Mrs. Burbank from Nov. 27 to Dec. 27, 1896 . .	2.50
	23,	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from Dec. 2, to Jan. 21, 1896	8.00
	23,	Bert. A. Maxfield, 2 cords wood to Mrs. T. Greenough	6.00
April	16,	E. J. Lord, burial expenses of Artemas B. Ellsworth	18.00
1897.			
Feb.	12,	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from Nov. 28, 1896, to Feb. 13, 1897	22.00
	15,	C. W. Gault, aid to F. P. Hutchinson from Dec. 21, 1896, to Feb. 15, 1897	8.00
	15,	N. B. McMurphy, fitting wood for Mrs. T. Greenough	2.50
			\$510.83

AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS—PAID.

1896.

April 25,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Jan. 23 to April 23, 1896 . . .	\$ 26.00
Aug. 29,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from April 23 to June 27, 1896	18.00
Nov. 28,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Sept. 1 to Nov. 26, 1896	26.00
28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to Jo- seph Spear	1.50
Dec. 12,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from July 2 to Aug. 26, 1896	18.00
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1897.		
Feb. 12,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Nov. 26, 1896 to Feb. 10, 1897 .	22.00
Nov. 28,	County of Belknap, aid to Samuel B. Swain to Oct. 1896	44.76
Feb. 15,	County of Belknap, aid to Mrs. Bur- bank from Aug. 3, 1896 to Feb. 16, 1897	33.00
15,	County of Belknap, aid to Samuel B. Swain from Dec. 1, 1896 to Feb. 16, 1897	27.99
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		\$217.25

POOR CHARGEABLE TO THE COUNTY—PAID.

1896.

June 27,	C W. Gault, aid to transient	\$ 1.50
27,	Frank G. Osborn, for board and lodg- ing tramps	2.00
27,	Mrs. C. W. Gault, aid to transient to Nov. 28, 1896	9.00
Jan. 20,	John P. Hussey, aid to transients . .	6.00
Feb. 12,	C. D. Weare, aid to transient	1.00

Feb.	12,	A. W. Hill, aid to transient	\$ 8.00
	12,	G. J. Knight, aid to transient	5.25
	15,	C. W. Gault, aid to transient	2.00
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			\$ 34.75

DAMAGE DONE DOMESTIC ANIMALS—PAID.

1896.	Morrill S. Jones, damage to sheep in 1896	\$ 3.50
Nov.	28, Joseph Brown, services as constable under the dog law for the year 1896	6.00
Dec.	26, W. S. P. Sanderson, services apprais- ing damage to sheep in 1896	1.60
	26, Euraldo P. Ellsworth, for damages to sheep by dogs in 1896	5.00
	26, C. D. Weare, appraising damage to sheep by dogs for the year 1896	1.80
Jan.	13, Royal L. Page, for damage to sheep by dogs in 1896	12.00
		—————
		\$29.90

SCHOOL SUPPLIES—PAID.

1896.	June 27, C. W. Johnson, for schools supplies furnished in 1896	\$ 5.09
July	21, Dana J. Bugbee, paid to the Bradford and Savings Bank and Trust Co.	80.00
Jan.	23, School board for school books fur- nished in 1896	45.06
1897.	Feb. 15, Frank N. Merrill, for school books fur- nished in 1896	10.80
1896.	Sept. 1, Ginn & Co., as per bill . . . . .	.52.68
	4, Werner School Book Co., as per bill	10.08
		—————
		\$203.71

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS—PAID.

1896.

July 3,	Charles Bradley, for furnishing paint, oil, and painting Potter school- house, District No. 2	\$ 22.40
Oct. 14,	Rufus A. Knowles, for shingle fur- nished and laying the same on schoolhouse, District No. 9, in 1896	50.88
14,	Arthur L. Gilman, for repairs on Kel- ly schoolhouse, Dist. No. 1, in 1896	1.00
Dec. 3,	Frank Griffin, shingling Griffin school- house, District No. 14 :	18.26
		—————
		\$92.54

TOWN OFFICERS—PAID.

1896.

March,	James A. Hurd, services as auditor for the year 1895	\$ 4.00
	W. S. P. Sanderson, services as select- men from Feb. 15 to Mar. 10, 1896	6.00
	Albert W. Hill, services as selectman from Feb. 15 to March 10, 1896 .	6.00
	Charles D. Weare, services as select- man from Feb. 15 to Mar. 10, 1896	4.50
	George W. Adams, services as auditor for the year 1896	4.00
April 25,	Laural A. Blake, services as supervisor to March 10, 1896	5.10
Aug. 29,	Frank G. Osborn, services as constable July 3 and 4, 1896	4.00
Nov. 28,	Frank G. Osborn, services as consta- ble March 3, 1896	2.00
28,	Charles D. Weare, services as select- man in part for 1896	40.00
28,	Usher S. Parsons, services as super- visor for the year 1896	14.00

Nov.	28,	Horace Edgerly, services as supervisor for the year 1896	\$ 13.00
	28,	George C. Parsons, services as election inspector for the year 1896 . . .	2.00
	30,	Leon W. Smith, services as special officer election day Nov. 3, 1896 .	2.00
Dec.	26,	L. A. Blake, for services as supervisor to Nov. 3, 1896	6.45
	1897.		
Feb.	15,	W. H. S. Hatch, services as town clerk for the year 1896	48.65
	15,	Charles D. Weare, balance for services as selectman to Feb. 15, 1897 . .	12.50
	15,	W. S. P. Sanderson, services as select- man to Feb. 15, 1897	70.00
	15,	Albert W. Hill, services as selectman to Feb. 15, 1897	52.00
	15,	Henry L. Hurd, services as treasurer of school district and town treasur- er for year 1896	60.00
		Frank N. Merrill, services as collector for the year 1895	124.00
			—————
			\$480.20

EXPENSES OF SCHOOL BOARD—PAID.

1896.			
Jan.	25,	Haven F. Gilman, services as member of school board in part year 1896	25.00
1897.			
Feb.	15,	A. Z. Knowles, services as member of school board for 1896	31.00
	15,	Frank N. Merrill, services as member of school board for 1896	35.00
	15,	Haven F. Gilman, balance for services as member of school board for 1896	5.00
			—————
			\$96.00

TOWN LIBRARY—PAID.

1897.

Feb. 17, Library trustees, library appropriation for 1896	\$ 76.20
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RECAPITULATION.

Amount charged to treasurer by selectmen	14,962.98
Paid outstanding orders and interest . . \$	110.16
Current expenses, miscellaneous .	294.27
Roads and bridges	2,207.34
Breaking roads winter of 1895-'96 .	1,273.52
Abatements	37.14
Poor of town	510.83
Aid to dependent soldiers	217.25
County poor	34.75
Damage to domestic animals . . .	29.90
School supplies	203.71
School house repairs	92.54
Town officers	480.20
Expense of school board	96.00
Town library	76.20
School money for 1896	1,939.68
County tax	1,885.12
State tax	1,270.00
Cash in hands of treasurer	4,204.37
	—————\$14,962.98

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer.

WILLIAM S. P. SANDERSON, } Selectmen
 CHARLES D. WEARE, } of
 ALBERT W. HILL, } Gilmanton.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of \$4,204.37 in the hands of the treasurer.

GEORGE W. ADAMS, } Auditors.
 CHARLES H. SHANNON, }

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

	INTEREST DUE.
C. F. Moulton	\$ 6.06 \$.93
S. A. Cotton, 3 orders	205.00 30.94
M. M. Lougee	40.00 9.57
J. Watson, balance of 2 orders . . .	180.00 96.99
M. Nelson, balance	280.00 18.15
A. P. Shanno	171.72 4.84
Laura F. Edgerly	170.00 4.68
N. Hodgdon	80.00 2.40
M. A. Hurd	300.00 9.00
A. M. Hurd	93.43 36.10
D. G. Edgerly	200.00 5.33
J. Young	420.93 25.26
M. R. Lougee	30.00 10.04
A. L. Lougee	86.00 25.61
M. B. Avery	132.00 34.92
S. M. Gale	470.00 8.96
S. M. Gale	350.00 5.89
M. L. Dow	121.14 24.79
Vona Ham	100.00 19.26
M. A. Lougee	483.73 87.62
J. Young, balance	490.93 5.89
The bearer	417.81 49.53
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	\$516.70
Balance of orders for repair of school-houses	\$ 59.21
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	\$4,887.96
Amount of outstanding orders and interest due Feb. 15, 1897	\$5,404.66

ASSETS OF TOWN.

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 4,204.37
Due from the county	34.75
	————— \$4,239.12

Indebtedness over means Feb. 15, 1897	\$1,165.54
Reduction of debt the past year . . .	180.75

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

Yokes, chains and muzzles	\$ 18.00
Two safes	300.00
Three road machines	250.00
Land purchased for town	100.00
	————— \$668.00

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer.

WILLIAM S. P. SANDERSON, } Selectmen
 CHARLES D. WEARE, - of
 ALBERT W. HILL,) Gilmanton.

GEORGE W. ADAMS, } Auditors.
 CHARLES H. SHANNON, }

ROAD AGENTS' ACCOUNT.

REPORT OF CHARLES F. GILMAN, Road Agent.

1896.

May 23.	Paid H. F. Gilman, labor on highway	\$ 3.00
23.	E. T. Gllman, "	3.00
25.	George E. Paige, "	1.65
26.	Joseph L. Jones, "	5.70
26.	N. L. Harris, "	4.00
26.	Charles S. Page, "	3.00
27.	Fred W. Page, "	4.40
27.	W. H. Ayer, "	12.50
29.	Charles H. Peaslee, "	3.00
29.	Hiram Hodgdon, "	2.07
29.	G. P. Barron, "	2.82
30.	Albert W. Hill, "	3.50
30.	W. A. Page, "	4.50
30.	Charles C. Varney, "	6.72
30.	F. G. Osborne, "	8.32
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		\$68.18
June 1.	Paid C. H. French, for labor	\$ 6.87
1.	Walter Green, "	7.50
2.	J. W. Brown, "	1.50
2.	Joseph Brown, "	1.50
2.	Frank J. Brown, "	2.00
2.	W. F. Sargent, "	9.00
3.	M. D. Laury, "	2.25
3.	H. T. Gilman, "	3.00
3.	Fred S. French, "	1.50
4.	J. W. Rollins, "	1.50

June	4.	Paid A. L. Green, for labor	. . . . .	\$6.25
	5.	Sidney U. Linscott, "	. . . . .	3.00
	5.	Noah Zanes, "	. . . . .	3.00
	5.	F. J. Linscott, "	. . . . .	1.50
	5.	G. F. Kelley, "	. . . . .	4.90
	5.	G. W. Nutter, "	. . . . .	3.25
	6.	Usher S. Parsons, "	. . . . .	9.00
	6.	J. D. Merrill, "	. . . . .	2.85
	6.	E. H. Hayes, "	. . . . .	3.00
	6.	John D. Smith, "	. . . . .	3.25
	10.	C. F. Merrill, "	. . . . .	4.62
	12.	George W. Adams, "	. . . . .	3.75
	12.	Charles G. Sanborn, "	. . . . .	3.95
	12.	Charles R. Eaton, "	. . . . .	4.30
	12.	M. S. Clough, "	. . . . .	2.25
	13.	T. B. Lane, "	. . . . .	12.00
	13.	Joseph R. Hill, "	. . . . .	1.50
	15.	Fred A. Barber, "	. . . . .	3.00
	15.	C. W. Foss, "	. . . . .	3.65
	15.	John Elkins, "	. . . . .	1.50
	15.	Isaac A. Downs, "	. . . . .	1.50
	19.	T. F. Osborne, "	. . . . .	2.59
	19.	John T. Elkins, "	. . . . .	1.25
	19.	G. C. Parsons, "	. . . . .	5.22
	19.	C. A. Osborne, "	. . . . .	2.67
	19.	J. D. Merrill, "	. . . . .	.75
	19.	J. W. Sanborn, "	. . . . .	10.50
	19.	Joseph Brown, "	. . . . .	3.50
	19.	Chas. T. Smith, "	. . . . .	3.25
	19.	Alva Foss, "	. . . . .	4.00
	20,	G. S. Stockbridge, "	. . . . .	6.02
	22,	A. V. Edgerly, "	. . . . .	3.15
	22,	Sylvester Goodwin "	. . . . .	6.20
	22,	Thomas J. Doe, "	. . . . .	1.50
	22,	Alna L. Pease, "	. . . . .	1.20

June 22,	Paid L. B. Pease, for labor	\$ 3.65
22,	J. M. Pickering, "	1.75
22,	C. F. Bradley, "	3.00
22,	C. B. Clark, "	2.25
22,	C. H. Goodwin, "	2.55
22,	Chas. E. Goodwin, "	1.50
22,	E. H. Goodwin, " . . . . .	.75
22,	Elwood Hill, "	3.00
25,	Irvin A. Clonagh, "	1.50
25,	M. S. Clough, " . . . . .	.75
25,	C. F. Potter, "	3.00
25,	E. J. Lord, bridge plank, 286 ft.,	2.86
26,	L. C. Page, labor . . . . .	.75
26,	W. A. Page, "	3.00
26,	D. S. Ayer, "	4.50
26,	O. L. Green, "	2.45
26,	C. W. J. Peaslee, 19 days at \$1.75	33.25
27,	Arthur L. Gilman, driving road machine 22 days at \$1.75 . . .	38.50
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		\$279.45
July 10,	Isaac A. Downs, labor	1.50
10,	N. L. Harris, "	7.42
11,	W. A. Page, "	1.87
11,	E. T. Gilman, use of oxen on ma- chine	16.00
16,	A. L. Gilman, use of oxen on road machine	16.00
16,	George E. Page, use of oxen on road machine	36.00
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		\$78.79
Sept. 14,	Charles C. Varney, labor	2.10
14,	Fred W. Page, "90
15,	J. B. McClary, "	1.35
17,	J. P. Hussey, plank	10.48
17,	E. J. Lord, "	2.08

Sept. 18,	Paid M. M. Page,	labor	\$1.20
19,	George A. Gale,	"	3.60
19,	L. C. Page,	"	1.87
21,	F. J. Brown,	"	2.25
21,	B. F. Webster,	"	3.15
21,	Charles A. Roberts,	"	3.15
22,	J. P. Hussey, plank	. . . . .	2.49
22,	C. H. Goodwin, labor and lumber		2.66
22,	H. F. Gilman, labor . . . . .		.37
26,	Sylvester French,	"	2.50
26,	W. M. Smith,	"	2.00

			\$42.15
Nov. 25,	O. L. Green,	"	4.00
25,	C. A. Osborne,	" . . . . .	.30
27,	C. F. Merrill	"	1.60
27,	G. F. Keiley	"	6.02

			\$11.92
Dec. 2,	Frank E. Robinson for bridge		
	plank		11.00
10,	Ira Gilman, for labor		4.25

			\$15.25

SUMMARY.

Amount expended for labor in May	68.18
" " " June	279.45
" " " July	78.79
" " " Sept.	42.15
" " " Nov.	11.92
" " " Dec.	15.25

Chas. F. Gilman, 61 $\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$2.00 . . .	\$123.50
Use of oxen 18 1-2 days at \$2.00	37.00
Use of harrow 18 days at 25c.	4.50

	495.74

For bridge timber	\$ 3.00
Repairs on road machine	1.72
30 lbs. spikes at 4c.	1.20

	\$170.92
Total	_____
	\$666.66
Received of town treasurer	\$666.66
Cash paid out	666.66

CHAS. F. GILMAN, Road Agent.

REPORT OF R. A. KNOWLES, Road Agent.

1896.

CASH PAID OUT.

May. J. R. Munsey, 5 days running machine . .	\$10.00
J. R. Munsey, 1 man 3 days and 1 pair oxen 8 hours	5.40
F. P. Hutchinson, 1 day	1.50
E. E. Witham, 6 days	12.00
F. E. Nutter, 5 days	7.50
J. S. Beck, 5 days	7.50
A. P. Ellsworth, 2 days with oxen	6.00
E. P. " $\frac{1}{2}$ day . . . . .	.75
Oscar " 2 days	2.00
R. A. Knowles, 2 days	4.00
" 5 days with 6 oxen	40.00
Cyrus Varney, 1 day with oxen	3.00
M. C. Lamprey, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days with oxen	7.50
H. F. " 2 " "	6.00
" " $\frac{1}{2}$ day . . . . .	.75
Romie Little, 1 day	1.50
C. E. Plummer, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, 5 men	18.25
N. Pulsifer, 1 day, 2 men	3.00
" $1\frac{1}{2}$ " " with oxen	6.75

	\$143.40

June, J. R. Munsey, 13 days	\$ 26.00
" 2 " 1 man with oxen . .	6.00
" 3 " 1 "	4.50
F. P. Hutchinson, 12 days, 8 hours . . .	19.20
E. E. Witham, 11½ days	23.00
F. E. Nutter, 12 days, 8 hours	19.20
J. S. Beck, 12 days, 9 hours	19.35
A. P. Ellsworth, 7 days with oxen	21.00
Oscar " 2½ "	2.50
R. A. Knowles, 13 days with 6 oxen . . .	104.00
" 4 days	8.00
" 5 " 1 pair oxen	17.50
Romie Little, 2½ days	3.75
A. H. Green, 1 day	1.50
F. L. Baker, 7 days, 4 hours	11.10
W. C. Greenough, 1 day	1.50
Albert Mudgett, 1½ day	2.25
S. L. Weeks, 2 days, 1 man, 4 oxen . . .	8.25
A. H. Weed, 2 days	3.00
D. Dow, ½ day . . . . .	.75
J. J. Hoadley, 12½ days	18.75
W. B. French, 1 day	1.50
M. E. " 2 days with oxen	6.00
J. S. " 1 day, 4 hours with oxen . .	3.65
B. A. Maxfield, 2 days, 2 men with oxen .	10.25
C. W. Gault, 2 one-half days, 1 man . . .	3.75
" 3 days, 2 men	9.00
" 2 days with horses	4.00
J. L. Clifford, one-half day . . . . .	.75
A. A. Jones, 1 part of day	1.25
George W. Griffin, 1 day, 2 men	3.00
W. J. Mansfield, one-half day . . . . .	.75
E. E. Maxfield, 1 one-half day	2.25
E. Osgood, 4 days	6.00
G. F. M. Knowles, 3 one-half days	3.75
F. M. Twombly, 2 days, 9 hours	4.10

Paid	J. F. Battis, 5 days, 2 mer.	\$ 15.00
	J. C. Gault, 1 one-half day	2.25
	S. C. Beck, 2 days	3.00
	R. W. Marsh, 3 days	4.50
	A. M. Brown, 1 day, 3 hours	1.95
	J. C. Riley, 3 days	4.50
	I. H. Weeks, bridge plank	36.40
	George A. Sanders, 26 ft. Akron pipe . .	5.73
	C. H. Morrison, 1 day	1.50
	S. K. Twombly, 2 days	3.00
	C. L. Chase, 2 days	3.00
	K. J. Varney, 3 days, 3 one-half hours . .	5.00

		\$466.93
July,	R. A. Knowles, 5 days	10.00
	R. A. Knowles, 400 ft. bridge plank . . .	4.00
Oct.	C. H. French, 3 days	4.50
	J. W. Canney, 1 day	1.50
	Romie Little, repairing Ellsworth road . .	20.00
	J. S. Beck, 1 day	1.50
	H. Beede, 2 days	3.00
	A. J. Lamprey, 4 days	6.00
	R. A. Knowles, part of day	1.08
	R. A. Knowles, 2 one-half days	4.75

		\$56.33
Amount laid out in May	\$ 143.40	
" " June	466.93	
" " July and October	56.33	-----
		\$666.66
Received of town treasurer	666.66	
Paid out	666.66	
	R. A. KNOWLES, Road Agent.	

REPORT OF R. B. PARSONS, ROAD AGENT.

CASH PAID OUT.

1896.

May 6,	Asa Paige, labor	1.37
6,	Harlan Paige, " . . . . .	.82
25,	J. D. and E. Nelson, labor and plank .	24.83
26,	Horace Edgerly, labor	2.50
26,	Harry Shannon, "	1.50
26,	C. H. Shannon, "	11.80
26,	E. E. Smith, "	6.28
26,	Frank Parsons, "	37.40
29,	E. E. Tebbets, "	23.02
29,	C. A. Roberts, "	4.65

		\$114.17
June 4,	George Munsey, labor . . . . .	.75
4,	J. L. Marsh, "	5.03
4,	Fred Cotton, "	3.30
4,	Herman Page, "	1.50
4,	Asa T. Paige, "	4.50
4,	Owen J. Edgerly, "	12.00
5,	Edgar Paige, "	1.50
26,	C. D. Weare, "	15.50
26,	A. R. Paige, "	6.45
26,	J. H. Beck, "	2.25
26,	S. W. Sargent, "	8.40
26,	Mrs. Joseph Durrell, labor	4.05
26,	John S. Moulton, labor	13.20
26,	H. J. Marsh, "	11.25
26,	N. Staples, "	5.25
26,	H. S. Paige, "	7.13
26,	Charles A. Paige, "	3.60
26,	Mary Marsh, "	4.27
26,	Herbert Weeks, "	3.00
26,	Charles Sargent, "	26.75

June 26,	Oscar Ellis,	labor	\$ 15.00
26,	C. M. Batcheler,	"	16.50
26,	L. M. Paige,	"	3.60
26,	Charles Beck,	"	3.30
27,	Thomas Cogswell, oxen	. . . . .	88.00
29,	Carlton Edgerly, labor	5.65
			—————
			\$271.73
July 20,	Owen Flanders, labor	1.50
24,	Frank Young,	"	9.45
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			10.95
Aug. 15,	David Bickford, labor	2.70
Sept. 10,	L. E. Paige,	"	25.89
Oct. 1,	John Shannon, plank	1.08
10,	Charles Sargent, labor	. . . . .	3.40
11,	Willis Moody,	"	1.50
17,	Henry Busseil,	"	9.19
26,	Mary Lougee,	"	8.70
			—————
			\$23.87
Nov. 3,	Herbert Sargent, labor	. . . . .	8.25
20,	John Watson,	"	5.42
25,	Lyman Berry,	"	1.50
30,	James Shannon,	"	2.75
30,	C. H. Shannon,	"	7.28
30,	Henry Hurd,	"	1.35
			—————
			\$26.55
Dec. 8,	Fred Giles,	labor	4.50
12,	Mark Weeks,	"	3.45
25,	Arthur Avery,	"	1.50
30,	Jonathan Young,	"	3.45
30,	J. P. Hussey, plank	. . . . .	13.07
30,	E. S. Nelson, labor	. . . . .	14.95
30,	E. J. Lord, plank	. . . . .	8.72

Dec. 30, Henry Bussell, labor	\$5.23
30, David Edgerly	52.85
30, R. B. Parsons	60.75

	\$168.47
Lafayette Canney, labor	1.12
D. Hook, plank and joist,	3.42
Charles Tibbetts, labor	1.00

	\$5.54

	\$649.87
Balance on hand from last year . . .	\$20.38
Received of treasurer	666.66

	\$687.04
Amount expended for labor on highway . . .	649.87

	\$37.17

RUFUS B. PARSONS, Agent.

Report of the School Board.

The number of schools supported by the town district during the year has been fourteen, the same as last year, and with one exception in the same school buildings. Following is a brief report of each school:

IRON WORKS DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Mrs. Carrie M. Leyland, who has had charge of this school, more or less, for several years. Mrs. Leyland is well qualified in every respect to fill the position of teacher. Thorough in her method of instruction, pleasant in her relations with her scholars, yet always maintaining good order. Improvement in all branches taught, satisfactory.

Whole number of scholars, 15.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Edith M. Page. Miss Page has had considerable experience in teaching, having taught successfully several terms of school in the Page Hill district. This term of school was composed of some twenty-five scholars of all ages, and degrees of advancement, requiring a teacher possessing considerable tact as to management and ability to instruct. It is thought by many that we need our best teachers in the most advanced schools, which perhaps is true, so far as education is concerned, but we know from experience that it requires more patience and watchfulness on the part of the teacher in a school made up of several little fellows, than it does in one of larger scholars. Miss Page sustained her former reputation as a good instructress, and the school was like the summer term, a success.

GALE DISTRICT.

Summer term of nine weeks, fall term of fifteen weeks, both taught by Frank N. Merrill. This is the third successive term, we have taught this school, by the request of the district. In some branches of study this is one of the most, if not the most advanced school in town. Here are some scholars who have arrived at the age to begin to see the importance of gaining an education, hence during the past three terms of school, have applied themselves quite diligently to their studies, with good results. One young man from this school is now a student at Gilmanton academy. We hope more of them will do likewise.

PAGE HILL DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Edith M. Page. For several terms past Miss Page has labored faithfully for the educational welfare of the scholars in this district, always giving good satisfaction to all concerned.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Fannie B. Page. Miss Page has spent considerable time and labor in gaining an education, having attended several terms of school at Plymouth, N. H. She is well fitted for the duties of the schoolroom; being able to bring up before her classes, in a systematic manner, by way of explanations, many points so essential in teaching children. The scholars seemed to understand all lessons gone over through the term, thus proving that they had been taught in a thorough manner.

Here are some quite good scholars.

LOUGEETOWN DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, fall term of fourteen weeks, both taught by Miss Carrie M. Sargent. This school has been under Miss Sargent's instruction for several terms, and seems to be making steady improvement. This is one of the smallest schools in town, yet the teacher seemed to find enough to do to occupy her time profitably.

ALLEN'S MILLS.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Mrs. Lizzie A. Young.

Mrs. Young has had considerable experience as a teacher and is a most excellent instructress. It was with many regrets that we found ourselves obliged to make a change for the second term. It was made necessary from sickness alone. Second term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Lizzie Toof.

Miss Toof came to us from Canada, having taught there for four years. Her experience there had well qualified her for school duties anywhere.

She has a keen perception of the duties of a teacher and a systematic manner. I consider the school very satisfactory.

Number of pupils first term, 4; average attendance, 4. Number of pupils second term, 5, average attendance, 4.

CORNER DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Mrs. Alice E. Langley.

Mrs. Langley is a faithful and efficient teacher and always pleasant to her pupils. Good advancement was made in nearly all of the studies. There was, as usual, considerable irregularity in attendance on the part of some of the pupils.

Sickness in some cases was a just cause for absence but there were some others that were absent more from lack of interest on part of the parents, a case which is considered deplorable.

Number of pupils first term, 25. Number of pupils second term, 31, average attendance, 19.

JONES' MILLS.

Summer term of seven weeks and fall term of seventeen weeks, both taught by Miss Annie E. Weeks.

The fact that Miss Weeks was returned to this school by the request of the district is a sufficient recommendation.

She has sustained her position in the hearts of parents and pupils and her school gave evidence of good instruction and good government,

Number of pupils first term, 13; Number of pupils second term, 14; average attendance, 11.

SANBORN.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Fannie B. Page.

A faithful, energetic teacher and a satisfactory term of school.

Owing to some misunderstanding on my part Miss Page was not returned in the fall.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Josephine M. Clifford.

This was the teacher's first attempt at teaching. She has all of the requisites of a teacher and with a little more confidence may soon become one of our best teachers. The school made good advancement and the recitations were quite good.

Number of pupils first term, 8. Number of pupils second term, 7; average attendance, 6.

LAMPREY.

Summer term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, both taught by Mrs. Myra F. Lane.

Mrs. Lane is a very efficient teacher. She spares no pains to make every point clear and never resting until she feels it is understood by the pupils. The school made excellent progress under her care.

I heard of no dissatisfaction but words of commendation instead. Mrs. Lane is deeply interested in educational matters and is at present attending the State Normal school.

Number of pupils first term, 13. Number of pupils second term, 12; average attendance, 11.

KELLEY DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks taught, by Miss Mary E. Weeks of Gilmanton.

Miss Weeks has taught several terms in town and has met with good success. With one of two exceptions the scholars made a good showing. This is a large school and there are so many classes it is impossible for any teacher to do them justice.

Fall term of thirteen weeks, taught by Miss Alice Sanborn.

This was Miss Sanborn's first attempt to teach and being a resident of this district she labored under many difficulties that she would not have met with if she had not been so well-known by her pupils.

Miss Sanborn has a good education, has a very pleasant way of explaining and making plain the difficult points. With a little more experience which all teachers have to acquire Miss Sanborn will become a first-class teacher.

POTTER DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Annie M. Barber of Gilmanton Iron Works.

For several years past Miss Barber has had charge of this school and has proved an excellent teacher in every respect.

The pupils under her instructions have made good advancement and in a thorough manner.

POND DISTRICT.

It was thought best to unite the Pond and Griffin schools, or rather alternate them, have a spring term in the Pond and a fall term in the Griffin.

Spring term, taught by Mrs. Fannie Osborne. Mrs. Osborne's report has appeared many times during the past fifteen years, undoubtedly the readers are familiar with it, so it will be useless for me to write a repetition. The school consisted of four small scholars, and under their teacher's instruction the little fellows made very good advancement.

SMITH'S MEETING HOUSE DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Lena R. Parsons of Gilmanton Iron Works.

With one or two exceptions the scholars in this school are eager to gain a thorough knowledge of their text books, and under Miss Parsons' instruction made very good advancement.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

Fall term of thirteen weeks, taught by Miss Esther Goodwin of Gilmanton Iron Works. This was Miss Goodwin's first attempt to wield the birch and a successful one. In this school at the present time there are seven scholars. The examination showed that some very good work had been accomplished.

If Miss Goodwin intends to make teaching her future avocation, she will add one more to our present corps of teachers.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

POTTER DISTRICT.—Second Term—John B. Furber, Grace E. Foss, Addie M. Downs.

SMITH'S MEETING HOUSE.—First Term—John Paige, Joseph Paige, Bessie Peaslee, Laura Jones, Ella Jones, Helena Madera.

No. 14.—First Term—Clifton Goodwin.

ALLEN'S MILLS DISTRICT.—Second Term—Worthy of mention, Oscar Dow.

CORNER DISTRICT.—Second Term—Betsey M. Knowles, Nettie Tappan, Mertie Jones, Charles W. Knowles, Arthur Lougee.

JONES' MILLS DISTRICT.—Second Term—Ethel Worthington.

SANBORN DISTRICT.—Second Term—Worthy of mention, Bertha M. Ellis, Winnie A. Weeks.

GALE DISTRICT.—First Term—Blanche M. D. Weeks, Ivo Weeks, Charles Lougee.

Second Term—Blanche M. D. Weeks, Ivo Weeks, Florence B. Merrill, Ethel M. Merrill.

LOUGEETOWN DISTRICT.—First Term—Blanche Beck.

PAGE HILL.—First Term—Russell W. Clough, Willie E. Clough, Albert D. Clough, Clarence F. Clough, Daniel Elkins, Fred W. Elkins, Walter C. Perkins, Mary C. Page, Alice C. Page; worthy of mention, Carrie B. Elkins, Franklin S. Place.

Second Term—Mary E. Page, Willie E. Clough.

IRON WORKS DISTRICT---Second Term--Worthy of mention, Daniel Elkins, Amos R. Price, Morton E. Young, Harold C. Sleeper, Della M. Bemis, Bertha F. Elkins, Francis S. Price.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No., and Name of School.	Terms.	Name of Teacher	Wages per month.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole number of scholars.	Average attendance.	Number of scholars attending to the following studies.
No. 1. Kelley.....	Summer	Mary E. Weeks	22 10 26 23	26 26 20	18 10	9	
.....	Fall	Alice Sanborn	22 13 30 18	30 32 22 30	9 8	2	2 11 9
No. 2. Potter	Summer	Annie M. Barber	22 10 8	8 8 8	6 4	3	4
.....	Fall	"	20 14 8	8 8 8	4 4	3 2	1
No. 3. Hall's.....	Summer	Edith M. Page	20 10 12 10	12 11 10	9 2	5 1	
Hill	Fall	Fannie B. Page	20 14 8	8 8 8	4 4	2 1	2
No. 5. Smith's	Summer	Lena R. Parsons	20 10 15 13	18 18 12	14 9	7 2	5
Meeting House	Fall	"	20 14 20 16	20 20 12	7 7	4	2 3 4
No. 7. Lougee.....	Summer	Carrie M. Sargent	18 10 8	8 8 8	5 5 5	3 1	4
town	Fall	"	18 14 6 5	6 6 4	4 4 3	1 2	5
No. 8. Allen's.....	Summer	Lizzie A. Young	16 10 4	4 4 3	2 2	2	2
Mills	Fall	Lizzie Toof	16 14 5 4	5 5 5	4 4	3	
No. 9. Corner.....	Summer	Alice E. Langley	24 10 25 20	25 25 25	25 10	8 10	10
.....	Fall	"	24 14 31 19	31 31 28	10 10	5 10	10
No. 11. Gale	Summer	Frank N. Merrill	24 9 14 13	14 14 14	14 7	5 7	1
.....	Fall	"	24 15 12 11	12 12 12	12 6	7 6	1
No. 13. Jones'.....	Summer	Annie E. Weeks	24 7 13 11	13 13 10	11 6	5 1	
Mill	Fall	"	24 17 14 11	14 14 12	11 6	5 1	
No. 4. Pond	Summer	Fannie A. Osborne	16 11 14 13	4 4 2	2 2	2	2
No. 14. Griffin	Fall	Esther Goodwin	18 13 6	6 6 6	6 5	3	5
No. 16. Sauborn	Summer	Fannie B. Page	20 10 8	8 8 8	7 3	6	6
.....	Fall	Joseine M. Clifford	20 14 7	7 7 7	7 3	6 5	2 2
No. 17. Lamprey	Summer	Myra F. Lane	24 10 13	13 13 13	13 7	6 4	1 11
.....	Fall	"	24 14 12 11	12 12 11	7 7	4	4
No. 18. Iron Wk's	Summer	Carrie M. Leyland	24 10 14 13	14 14 10	10 9	4 4	9
.....	Fall	Edith M. Page	24 15 24 21	24 24 20	18 10	6 2	2

TREASURER'S REPORT.^{*}

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer of school district in account with the district of Gilmanton, for the year 1896.

1896.

March 14, To cash in hands of treasurer \$ 22.49

1897.

Feb. 15,	F. N. Merrill, for tuition of scholars out of town	8.65
	School order for the year 1896	1,939.68
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		\$1,970.82

MISCELLANEOUS—PAID.

1896.

April 1,	Warren Marsh, fitting Iron Works dis- trict, 1896	\$ 2.00
15,	J. Conneil & Co., supplies furnished school year 1896	4.48
25,	Haven Gilman, 1 cord wood furnished Smith Meeting House, Dist. No. 5 .	4.00
May 8,	Lizzie Glidden, cleaning Iron Works schoolhouse, 1896	3.00
11,	Frank D. Young, for wood furnished Lougeetown district	1.25
	Frank N. Merrill, one cord wood and fit- ting same, Iron Works district, 1896	4.50
July 2,	Albert W. Hill, cleaning schoolhouse in Pond district	1.00
Aug. 10,	Emma A. Sleeper, transporting from Cogswell Dist. to Iron Works Dist. and room rent	10.75
Dec. 3,	Geo. Griffin, wood furnished Dist. No. 14	5.50
17,	A. Z. Knowles, slates, pencils, tablets, crayons, etc.	2.61
17,	A. Z. Knowles, pads, pencils, pens, slate pencils, as per bill	1.60

Dec.	17,	A. Z. Knowles, R. A. Knowles, one-half cord wood and fitting, for brooms, pails, shelves, glass and setting, repairs to lock, etc.	§ 5.66
June	23,	School board, school books, furnished in 1896	45.06
Dec.	26,	J. H. Beck, cleaning Lougeetown schoolhouse and fitting wood	1.75
	26,	Owen J. Edgerly, one-half cord wood and fitting the same	2.50
	26,	Usher Parsons, 1 cord wood, Kelley district No. 1	4.00
	26,	Charles H. Weed, wood furnished Allen's Mills and Corner schools, Nos. 8 and 9	6.13
	26,	Cole Mfg. Co., stove for Iron Works school district	9.75
	26,	J. Munsey, wood furnished district No. 11, year 1896	5.00
1897.			
Jan.	11,	Mrs. Emma Sleeper, transporting, and room rent for scholars in the Cogswell district	15.00
	15,	Charles M. Bachelder, 1 one-half cords wood, furnished Sanborn's Dist. 1896	6.50
1896.			
Dec.	26,	Frank D. Young, wood furnished Lougeetown Dist., 1895 and 1896	6.25
	26,	Mrs. Rufus Moody, cleaning schoolhouse in Corner and Jones' Mills districts Nos. 9 and 13	3.00
1897.			
Feb.	15,	Daniel H. Moulton, drawing stove from Laconia, Iron Works district . . . . .	.50
	15,	Owen J. Edgerly, wood and fitting same in Gale district	2.50
	15,	John Connell & Co., as per bill	1.23

Feb.	15,	James A. Jones, wood furnished	\$ 5.00
		Jones' Mill district, year 1896	
	15,	Albert R. Page, 1 cord wood and fitting in Page district	4.50
June	25,	Edson C. Eastman, merchandise, per bill	3.68
April	15,	Frank K. Johnson, as per bill paid Frank N. Merrill	5.39
	15,	Frank N. Merrill, cash paid for school supplies and expenses on books	10.50

			\$139.53

SCHOOLS—SUMMER TERM—PAID.

1897.

July	2,	Mrs. Fannie Osborne, Pond district	\$40.50
	2,	Daniel Moulton, home instruction of Moulton children	24.00
	3,	Alice E. Langley, Corner district, No. 10, ten weeks	60.00
	3,	Carrie M. Sargent, Lougeetown district	47.50
	6,	Myra F. Jones, No. 27	60.00
	6,	Annie M. Barber, No. 2	50.00
	8,	Frank N. Merrill, Gale district	54.00
	8,	Mary E. Weeks, Kelley district, No. 1 .	55.00
	8,	Angie E. Weeks, Jones' Mills district .	42.00
	8,	Lizzie A. Young, District No. 8	40.00
	10,	Lena R. Parsons, District No. 5	50.00
	11,	Edith M. Page, Hall's Hi'l, spring term	60.00
	11,	Fannie Page, District No. 16	55.00
Aug.	31,	Catrie M. Leyland, Iron Works district	60.00

WINTER TERM—PAID.

1896.

Dec.	5,	Alice Sanborn, Kelley district, 13 weeks	72.60
	7,	Esther Goodwin, Griffin district, 13 weeks	58.50
	12,	Annie M. Barber, Potter district, 14 wks	70.00

Dec. 12,	Lena R. Parsons, Smith's Meeting House district, 14 weeks	\$ 70.00
15,	Josie M. Clifford, Sanborn district, 14 weeks	70.00
15,	Alice E. Langley, Corner dist., 14 wks	84.00
17,	Lizzie A. Toof, Allen's Mills dist., 14 wks	56.00
21,	Edith M. Page, Iron Works dist., 14 wks	84.00
25,	Fannie Page, Page district, 14 weeks .	70.00
26,	Carrie M. Sargent, Lougetown district, 14 weeks	66.50
26,	Mrs. Myra F. Lane, Lamprey district, 14 weeks	84.00
26,	Daniel H. Moulton, teaching his children, 1896	23.00
Jan. 2, '97,	Annie E. Weeks, Jones' Mills district, 17 weeks	102.00
Feb. 15,	Frank N. Merrill, Gale district, 15 wks	90.00

		\$1698.60
Am't charged to treasurer by school board		\$1,970.82
Paid orders of the school board orders to		
pay teachers	\$1,698.60	
Miscellaneous orders	139.53	
Cash in hands of treasurer	132.69	

		\$1,970.82

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer of District.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of \$132.69 in the hands of the treasurer.

GEORGE W. ADAMS, }
CHARLES H. SHANNON, } Auditors.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The schools in town, under the instruction of their several teachers, have, as a whole, made commendable progress. It was the aim at the beginning of the year to employ the best available talent, always giving the preference to those of our own town, and it is very gratifying to know that Gilmanton still has within her borders some very excellent teachers. Only two were employed from out of town. While the teachers have labored indefatigably for the advancement of those in their charge, it seems that never before have parents and others "visited school" as frequently as during the past year. This is one of the indications that everything will go well in the school room.

Our state superintendent, Mr. Gowing, is doing a large amount of work throughout the state in the interest of our schools, holding institutes for the benefit of our teachers. We believe every teacher should avail themselves of the privilege extended to them by a law of the state and visit at least one of these institutes each year. Much valuable information can be gained as to the best methods of managing and imparting instruction in our public schools. Then, again, we believe all teachers should be a subscriber for some good publication, devoted wholly to the interest of school work. Many valuable hints can be gleaned from this source. In short, if we are to keep up with the best methods of teaching, we should avail ourselves of every source of knowledge which will be for the interest of those intrusted to our intellectual guidance.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The school buildings are, with one or two exceptions, in pretty good repair. The one at Kelley's Corner needs considerable repairing. It will be remembered at the last annual meeting the Cogswell district asked permission to move their schoolhouse from "Nighthawk Hollow" on to the main road, the district agreeing to move the building free of expense to

the town. The town appropriated fifty dollars to make repairs, which might be occasioned by moving. After an unsuccessful attempt at moving the building whole, it was decided to take it down, which has been done, and the building now stands on the new site. We presume it will be repaired and put in good condition by the time the spring schools open. The schoolhouses in the Corner and Pond districts have been newly shingled and otherwise repaired at an expense of about ninety dollars.

After returning our thanks to parents, friends, teachers and scholars throughout the town for their kindness and courtesy, in conclusion let us say that it is our earnest desire that success may crown the efforts of all in their endeavors to attain an accomplished education.

FRANK N. MERRILL, } School Board
ARABELLA Z. KNOWLES, } of
HAVEN F. GILMAN, } Gilmanton.

Gilmanton, N. H., Feb. 24, 1897.

Births Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Birth	Name of child. [If any.]	Sex and Condition		Maiden name of mother.	Occupation of father.	Residence of parents.	Birthplace of mother.
		Male	Female				
Jan. 2		F	Living	3	Lizzie M. Page	Gilmanton	Peach m, Vt.
Feb. 22		F	Living	3	Kate M. Murphy	Barrington	Massachusetts
Aug. 11	Fred E. Marsh	M	Living	1	Richard B. Gage	Gilmanton	Gilmanton
October 4		M	Living	1	Erskine H. Marsh	Pittsfield	Epsom
" 18		M	Living	2	Erwin C. Brock	Gilmanton	Gilmanton
Nov. 2		F	Living	3	Walter E. Page	Gilmanton	Gilmanton
" 22	Mildred E. Gilman	F	Living	1	Arthur L. Gilman	Gilmanton	Gilmanton
" 27		F	Living	8	Fred Albert York	Pittsfield	Pittsfield
Dec. 27		M	Living	5	Charles A. Osborn	Dover	Gilmanton
" 30		M	Living	1	George L. Palmer	London	Barrington
" 31		F	Living	1	Horace F. Haynes	London	South Tamworth
		F	Living	3	Henry B. Whiting	London	Salisbury
		F	Living	3	Minnie E. Marston	London	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WALTER H. S. HATCH, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age of each	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married.	
											1st marriage	2nd marriage
Apr. 21	Gilmanton	Ralph Pratt	Gilmanton	24	Insurance Agt.	Bradford, Eng.	Susan Richards	England	Comptner	Housewife	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
"	"	Genev May Bolo	"	23	Housekeeper	Dover	Andrew Jack, 'n Biolo	Dover	Shoemaker	Housewife	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
May 15	Lacoma	Arthur L. Gilman	"	22	Farmer	Gilmanton	Ella M. Trask	Farmington	Farming	Farmer	John G. Munsey	Clergyman, Laconia.
"	"	Emma J. Marsh	"	18	Housekeeper	"	Sarah L. Dane	Gilmanton	Farmer	Housewife	John G. Munsey	Clergyman, Laconia.
July 12	Gilmanton	John H. Haines	"	26	Blacksmith	Loudon	Andrew H. Marsh	Taylor E. McCarthy	Farmer	Housekeep r	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
"	"	Bertha Howard	"	20	Housekeeper	Dover	Mary E. Ihines	Taylor Ihines	Farmer	Housewife	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
Sept. 11	"	George L. Palmer	"	23	Carpenter	"	Emery Howard	Emma Howard	Painter	Painter	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
"	"	Daisy Smith	"	17	Housekeeper	Gilmanton	Aaron S. Palmer	Mira Goodwin	Farmer	Housewife	M. P. Tobey	Clergyman, Gilman n.
Sept. 17	"	Charles L. Merrill	"	27	Hairer	"	Edward E. Smith	Jane Perkins	Farmer	Housewife	George T. Griffin	Clergyman, London.
"	"	Mary E. Weeks	"	22	School teacher	"	Jacob D. Merrill	Jacob Sanborn	Farmer	Housewife	George T. Griffin	Clergyman, London.
Nov. 5	"	George C. Prescott	"	50	Farmer	"	Sarah Sanborn	Matthias Weeks	Farmer	Housekeep r	L. C. Graves	Clergyman, Gilman n.
"	"	Cora A. Whitney	Boston, Mass	33	House-keeper	Brockport, N.Y	Laurenda Willard	Colebrook	Chichester	Farmer	Belknap	Vermont

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Deaths Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age. Years & Months	Place of Birth.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Maiden Name of Mother.	Name of Father.	Disease or Cause of Death.	
					Sex.	Color.				
Jan. 21	North Weeks.....	75 11	Alton.....	M	W	Farmer.....		Henry M. Weeks.....	Heart failure.....	
21	Jerusha S. Foss.....	69 4	Enfield.....	F	M	Housewife.....		John Pettigill.....	Pneumonia.....	
Feb. 8	Carrie Haynes.....	68	Pittsfield.....	F	M	Housewife.....		Betsy Aver.....	".....	
13	Mary L. Varney.....	70	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housewife.....		Samuel Pease.....	Old age.....	
15	Artemus B. Ellsworth.....	38	Gilmanton.....	D	M	Farmer.....		John Ellsworth.....	Consumption.....	
22	Lyd a. S. Hamilton.....	55	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housekeeper.....		Calista B. Ellsworth.....	Heart disease.....	
Mar. 9	John C. Baker.....	71	Gilmanton.....	M	M	Farmer.....			Heart failure.....	
April 6	Mrs. Henry Rauson.....	70	Barton, Vt.....	F	M	Housewife.....			Cancer.....	
9	Xanoni M. Varney.....	87	4 12	F	M	Housewife.....			Old age.....	
21	Syvester W. Kimball.....	45	Gilmanton.....	M	M	Farmer.....			Angina pectoris.....	
22	Sarah Elkins.....	69	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housekeeper.....			Heart disease.....	
May 3	W. Y.C. Hutchinson.....	81	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housewife.....			Old age.....	
June 1	R. Sara Glysson.....	52	2 24	Windsor, Vt.....	F	M	Housewife.....			Cancer.....
July 31	Sarah E. Farrar.....	82	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housewife.....			Old age.....	
Aug. 3	Sebenice L. Marsh.....	97	Gilmanton.....	M	M	Farmer.....			Heart failure.....	
24	Maurice J. Nelson.....	1	20 Gilmanton.....	M	M	Ret. merchant.....			Cholera infantum.....	
28	Marcus L.W. Kitchen.....	59	Gilmanton.....	N	M	Housewife.....			Apoplexy.....	
Sept. 24	Aura E. Haskell.....	64	1 6 Contoocook	F	M	Merchant.....				
Oct. 19	Infant.....	1	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housewife.....				
Nov. 7	Lucinda Pulsifer.....	82	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Merchant.....				
Dec. 10	Mystie Batchelder.....	10	Gilmanton.....	F	M	Housekeeper.....				
14	John Connell.....	69	Stratford.....	M	M	Farmer.....				
22	Betsy L. Perkins.....	75	Canada.....	F	M	Farmer.....				
23	John S. Osborne.....	78	1 21 Gilmanton.....	M	M	Farmer.....				

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